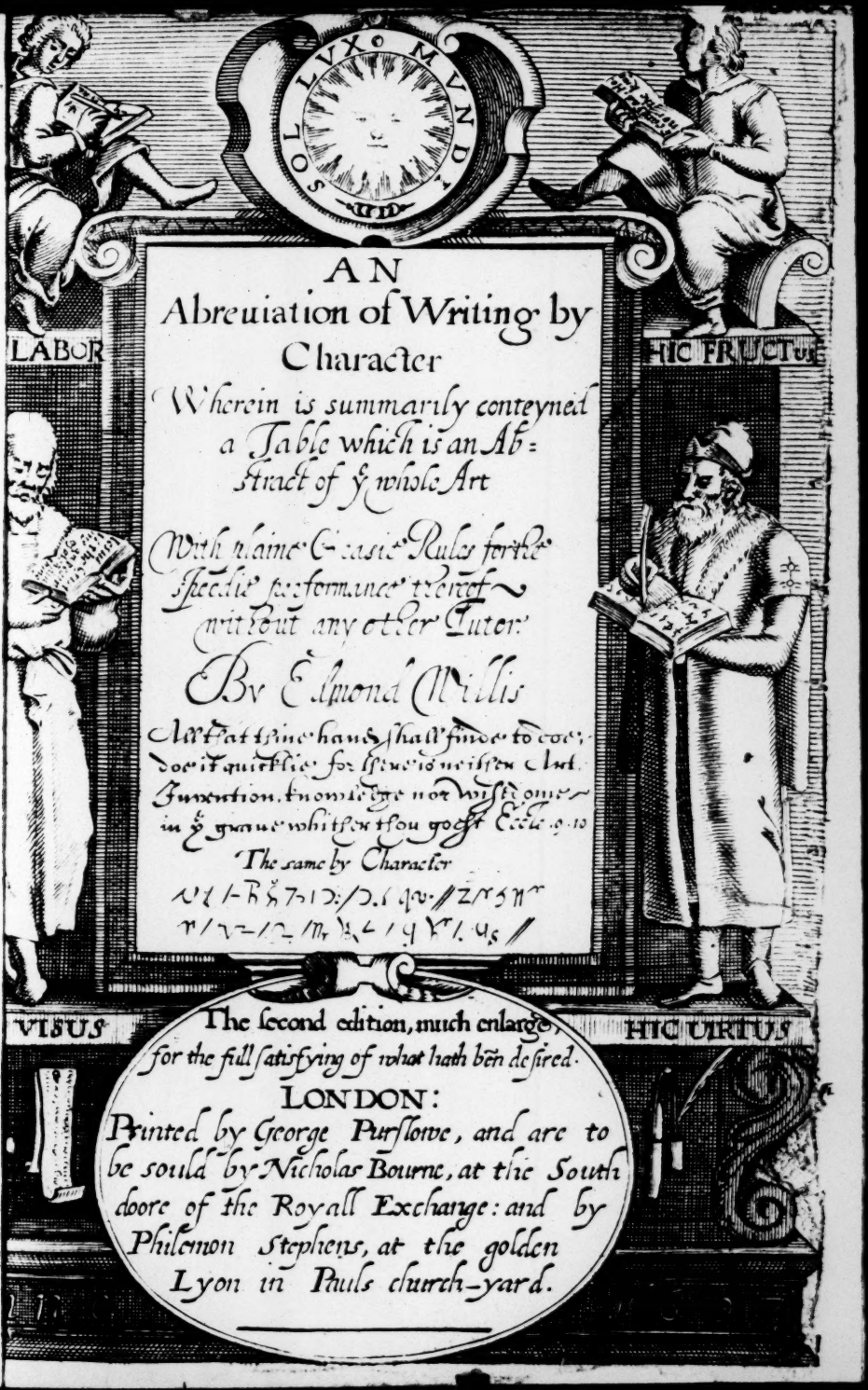

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THE PREFACE to the READER.

THere haue now ſome nine yeeres ſpunne out, ſince I firſt publiſhed this Booke, named An Abbreuiation of writing by Character; and now, after my three and twenty yeeres experience in this Art, looking both vpon my ſelfe and others, and finding much gaine and benefit returnable this way, by taking Sermons and Speeches verbatim; and that all former Authors that wrote any thing of this ſubiect, are now gone off the Stage of this life, and their

Workes almoſt periſhed; I thought it my duty, to quicken againe this Art, by giuing my former Booke a ſecond birth, and therewith better abilities of life, for performance of that office whereto it was at firſt deſigned: For though I finde no ſuch defect or inſufficiencie in my former Worke, as to change the foundation, and new caſt it into another forme of Character; yet haue I now by further enlargement of this Booke, brought it forth ſtronger limbed, and more able to doe the world ſeruice, for the aduancement of thoſe publike ends, whereunto my deſires haue wholly leuelled, Gods glory, and the benefit of many thouſand ſoules in the poſterities to come, when my ſelfe ſhall returne to him that made me, and be gathered to the Sepulchers of my Fathers.

Now

Now concerning mine enlargement of this Worke; first I haue added certaine terminations for the ending of long words of many Sillables, which being diligently obſerued and practiſed, ſhall (I hope) both delight the Writer, and much abbreuiate the writing: for many of theſe terminations ſhall ſerue to determinate, ſome of them fortie words, and ſome a hundred words, and ſome two hundred words apiece, as is ſhewed in a Table of long words in the end of this Booke: and this (I thinke) is the firſt diſcouery heereof.

The ſecond addition is certaine Characters or letters, for the expreſſion of vſuall particles and words, ſo neceſſarie to bee learned, and ſo frequent in vſe, that a man ſhall hardly reade a Chapter or Verſe in any

English Booke, but halfe the Chapter or Verſe conſiſteth of ſome of theſe words. I ſpeake not this, as if thoſe words could not bee written by the Rules of Art, (that were a ſhame;) but I ſpeake it experimentally, for the excellent helpe and benefit which my ſelfe feele in the vſe of them.

Let no man therefore diſtaſte the number of them, which are in all but two hundred, and moſt of them vſuall letters and Characters: How would they doe, if they ſhould learne thouſands of words without booke, with ſtraying Characters, which ſhould cauſe the word to vary, according to the forme and poſition of the Character? A labour long to learne, and ſoone forgotten: whereas this skill once perfectly attained, can neuer be loſt againe.

For

For mine owne part, I haue not heerein cunningly concealed any part of my Skill to my ſelfe, as if my intention were to clucke Diſciples after me for farther inſtructions, and ſo to aduance my fortunes that way: for, I thanke God, my other Calling wherto I giue attendance, doth (by Gods bleſsing) furniſh me with an Eſtate ſufficiently ſutable to the moderation of my deſires. Mine eye is vpon the publike good; and whoſoeuer hath an appetite to this Art, may by the ſhort and plaine Rules of this Booke, goe alone without leading: and by ſtudying one little Table, contracted and compoſed together in the beginning of this Booke, take meaſure of the whole frame of this building; and bee ſufficiently enabled heereby of himſelfe, to compoſe and forme any Engliſh word

whatsoeuer, with ease and pleasure.

And (such is my desire to aduance the knowledge of others, by making them partakers with my selfe of that light which God hath giuen me, not to hide vnder a Bushell, but to set in a Candlestick for the enlighting of others,) that if any shall doubt of any thing in this Booke, whereof they desire a resolution, I shall both willingly and freely giue them directions, if they please to resort vnto me.

I know the Disease of this Age what it is; euery man that endeuours any Publike good, falls on one Rocke or other, (subiecting himselfe thereby to the vncharitable censure of the enuious.

But I thanke God, I haue that testimonie within my selfe, which shall be as a good Tide, to take me off from such

ſuch ſhelues : my teſtimonie is mine owne Conſcience, and my iudgement is with the Lord, that my intentions are not heereby to ſound a Trumpet before my ſelfe, but only to doe ſomewhat for publike good, which may further mine accounts at the laſt Day, that I haue not altogether run heere in vaine, nor laboured to no purpoſe. And ſo commending theſe directions in all humble ſubmiſſion to thy fauourable acceptation, and thy ſelfe with them to the gracious bleſſing of our God, whoſe Characters wee are all, I reſt Thine,

Edmond Willis.

Heere followeth the Table.

The Terminations now added in this edition for long words of manye sillables to be afixed to the prepositions in the vowell or dipthongs place as is more at large expressed in the eight Chapter of this booke.

a.		c.	
Anc or enc		Ction	
antion or ention		cndded	
in the vowell or dipthongs place as		entlie	
		eth	
		erred	
mantion		f.	
mention		Ference	
abl		fication	
age		filled	
b.		filleth	
Billitie		fijng	
c.		full	
Cation		fully	
ceive		fullfill	
ciows		fullnes	
ciall		g.	
citie		Gation	
cident		i.	
d.		Ish	
D		ishing	
ditie		ished	
ding		ishment	
diows		ishues	
		ietie	

l.

Lation ——— [illegible]
ledg ——— [illegible]
lesse ——— [illegible]
land ——— [illegible]
lines ——— [illegible]
lifie ——— [illegible]
litie ——— [illegible]
ling ——— [illegible]

m.

Mation ——— [illegible]
ment ——— [illegible]
mitie ——— [illegible]
mission ——— [illegible]
mony ——— [illegible]

n.

Nation ——— [illegible]
nesse or nes ——— [illegible]
ning ——— [illegible]
nifie ——— [illegible]
nitie ——— [illegible]
nish ——— [illegible]

o.

Our ——— [illegible]
ous or ousnes ——— [illegible]
ously ——— [illegible]

r.

Ration ——— [illegible]
rance ——— [illegible]
riall ——— [illegible]
ring ——— [illegible]
ritie ——— [illegible]
rious ——— [illegible]

s.

Selfe ——— [illegible]
serve ——— [illegible]
sion or tion ——— [illegible]
so ever ——— [illegible]

t.

Tation ——— [illegible]
taine ——— [illegible]
ticall ——— [illegible]
ting ——— [illegible]
tifie ——— [illegible]
tious ——— [illegible]
ther ——— [illegible]
twall ——— [illegible]
twous ——— [illegible]

v.

Vation ——— [illegible]
vertion ——— [illegible]
uction ——— [illegible]

AN ABBREVIATION OF WRITING BY *CHARACTER.*

* * *

Chap. 1. *Sheweth the Alphabet of* Characters.

AS in *Writing* there is an *Alphabet* of letters firſt to be learned; ſo in the attaining to this Art of abbreuiation of *Writing*, you muſt vnderſtand, that there is an *Alphabet* of Letters and *Characters*, which repreſenteth the *Alphabet* of our Engliſh letters, being 24 *leading letters*, and foure ſmall.

ſmall. The *Alphabet* of *Characters* are thoſe which are placed in the firſt Columne of the *Table*: thoſe *Characters* muſt bee learned very perfitly, becauſe from them are deriued other *Characters*, which are for beginning of words, called *Double Conſonants*; and likewiſe *Characters* which are for ending of ſhort words, called *Terminations*.

Chap. 2. *Sheweth the* Double Conſonants, *how they are made.*

THE *characters* which are for the beginning of words, called *double conſonants*, are thoſe which are placed in the 2. and 3. columne of the *Table*; thoſe *characters* are deriued from the aforeſaid *Alphabet*; and they are made by ioyning the *character* of the

the latter letter to the foot of the *character* of the former letter; as may plainely appeare by the ſaid *characters* in the ſaid 2. and 3. columne of the *Table*, if you carefully marke the making of them; in which you muſt be very perfect.

Chap. 3. *Sheweth the making of the* Terminations *for ſhort words.*

THE *characters* which are for ending of ſhort words, and called *Terminations*, are thoſe which are placed in the 4. column of the *Table*, deriued & made likewiſe from the foreſaid *Alphabet* of *characters*, and the making of them are thus to be conceiued, by ioyning 2. or 3. *characters* together; as you may perceiue by the making of them. All theſe aforeſaid

characters

characters must bee learned and conceiued very perfectly in mind, whereby you may readily make vse of them vpon any occasion.

Chap. 4. *Sheweth the places of fiue single* Vowels, *and seuen* Dipthongs, *about the letter* b, *or about any other letter or character.*

THE *characters* aforesaid being ready and perfect in your minde, you are then to proceed to the learning of the places of 5. single *Vowels*, and 7. *Dipthongs*, as they are placed about the letter *b.* in the foot of the *Table*, on the left hand, as by the places about the said letter more plainely appeareth. The seuerall places are to be knowne as followeth.

The place of the vowell *a.* is directly

rectly ouer the head of a letter or Character.

The place of the vowell *e.* is euen with the head of a letter or Character on the right hand.

The place of the vowell *i.* is in the middle of a letter or Character, on the right hand.

The place of the vowell *o.* is euen with the foote of a letter or Character, on the right hand.

The place of the vowell *u.* is directly vnder the foote of a letter or Character.

So much for the places of the Vowels.

The place of *ai.* the Dipthong, is ſloping ouer the head of a letter or Character, on the left hand.

The place of *ee.* the Dipthong, is euen with the head of a letter or

or Character, on the left hand.

The place of *oi.* the Dipthong, is in the middle of a letter or Character on the left hand.

The place of *oo.* the Dipthong, is euen with the foot of a letter or character on the left hand.

The place of *au.* the Dipthong, is ſloping vnder the foot of a letter or character on the left hand.

The place of *ou.* the Dipthong, is ſloping vnder the foot of a letter or character on the right hand.

The place of *ea.* the Dipthong, is ſloping ouer the head of a letter or character on the right hand.

So much for the places of the Dipthongs.

The places of theſe Vowels and Dipthongs muſt bee learned ſo perfectly,

The Alphabett consisting of 24 leading letters and 4 small.

The double Consonants for ye beginning of words drawne from ye Alphabet are these

1	2	3
a	bl	sh
b	br	shr
c	cl	sl
d	cr	sk
e	ch	sm
f	dr	sn
g	dw	sp
h	fl	spl
i	fr	spr
k	gl	squ
l	gr	st
m	gn	str
n	kn	sw
o	pl	tr
p	pr	th
q	ph	thr
r	qu	tw
s	sc	wh
t	scr	wr
v		
w		
x		
y		
z		

The severall places of fiue single vowells & seaven Dipthongs placed about this letter b. are to be conceived perfectly in yor minde

ai ea
a
ee e
oi i
oo o
u
au ou

The Table

The Terminations for ending of short words drawne likewise from the Alphabet

4

dg	[illegible]
ld	[illegible]
lf	[illegible]
lk	[illegible]
lp	[illegible]
lt	[illegible]
lth	[illegible]
mbl	[illegible]
mp	[illegible]
mpl	[illegible]
nk	[illegible]
nch	[illegible]
nd	[illegible]
ng	[illegible]
ngth	[illegible]
nt	[illegible]
nth	[illegible]
pl	[illegible]
rd	[illegible]
rk	[illegible]
rm	[illegible]
rn	[illegible]
rs	[illegible]
rst	[illegible]
rt	[illegible]
rth	[illegible]
tr	[illegible]
rp	[illegible]
ct	[illegible]
dl	[illegible]
ft	[illegible]
gd	[illegible]
rf	[illegible]
tl	[illegible]

Prepositions for ... ning of Long w...

5

ab	[illegible]
ac	[illegible]
ad	[illegible]
an	[illegible]
as	[illegible]
at	[illegible]
be	[illegible]
com	[illegible]
con	[illegible]
de	[illegible]
dis	[illegible]
im	[illegible]
in	[illegible]
ob	[illegible]
per	[illegible]
pre	[illegible]
pro	[illegible]
re	[illegible]
sub	[illegible]
super	[illegible]
mis	[illegible]
vnder	[illegible]
trans	[illegible]
circum	[illegible]
all	[illegible]
af	[illegible]
for	[illegible]
ap	[illegible]
vn	[illegible]

The Terminations now added &c

The 200 usuall words and particles draune into seaven sentences.

1.			
Feare — f	againe — ꝯ	Christ — C	matter — ‖
and — ⊃	and — ⊃	Jesus — J	it selfe — ⊂
love — u	againe, — ꝯ	and — ⊃	of — ⊃
God, — G	make — m	not by — ⊃ b	mercie; — m
honour — h	some — ʂ	workes — ⅄	yet — ɛ
and — ⊃	use of — ʊ ⊃	onely, — ʊ	many — m
obay — ꝯ	every — ⊖	electe — ɛ	fall — ⊃
your — y	chapter — ⊖	men — ⊂	from — ⅄
King, — k	and — ⊃	have — h	faith — f
helpe — l	verse, — ʊ	parte — p	hope — h
to doe — ʊ	lett — ʊ	in the — ∠ /	and Joye — ⊃ ɪ
good — y	thy — ∠	kingdome — k ʒ	in the — ∠ /
unto — ⊂	liffe — ⊃	of — ⊃	holy ghost — hy
others. — ⊂	be an — ⊂	heaven, — h	the — /
2.	example — ∝	as — ʃ	which — ⅄
Learne — l	to this — ı / s	saith — ʃ	should — ʃ
thou — ⁄	world. — ⊙	the — /	serve — ʃ
the — /	3.	apostle — p	to keepe — ı ⊃
doctrines — ⊃	By — b	4.	them — ⁄
of the — ⊃ /	faith — f	mankind — ⊂	against — ꝯ
scripture, — ⊖	in — ∠	is the — ʃ /	ye divell — / ⊕

that — t	then — t	6.	
evill — ε	be done, — d 2	uppon — vp	theire — r
angell — a	heare — h	earth — ξ	bodies — b
5.	ye voyce — / v	and no — ɔ n	and — ɔ
Never — n	of our — ɔ ɔ	where els — h ξ	forget — z
was — w	lord — u	shall — s	theire — r
there — r	in his — ∠ h	wicked — w	soules, — ss
any one — r θ	worde — h	men — ⅃	oh how — o h
people — p	not like — ɔ ɔ	rejoyce, — rε	unwise — vɔ
church — c	those — /s	goe not — g ¬	are such, — r ξ
or age, — c y	who — h.	therfore — r z	when — h
that — t	have — h	in to — ∠	did — d
enjoyed — ε	ye name of — / ŋ ɔ	ye way — / j	ever — θ
the — /	christians — ¢	with — j	any man — ⅃ ⅃
peace — p	but cane — b c̄	them — ^	praye — p
of the — ɔ /	give no — y n	7.	or call — c c
gospell — g	reason — x	wherfore — h z	for — z
in that — ∠ t	of — ɔ	doe men — θ ⅃	grace — y
manner — m	their — r	take — t	and — ɔ
as we — s w	religion — r	so much — σ ξ	went — b
now doe, — n θ	if you — ɔ v	care — r	away — j
what — h	question — q	as the — s /	hence — h
must — ξ	them. — ^	most doe — ξ θ	wth out — j ς
		to feast — ı f	answer — s

perfectly, that you may bee able readily to conceiue their places about any letter or *character*, without looking vpon your example.

Chap. 5. *Sheweth how to abbreuiate a word of one ſillable.*

THe places of the 5. *ſingle Vowels* and 7. *Dipthongs* being perfectly conceiued and learned, you are fitted and prepared to goe on forward to the practiſing of writing ſhort words of one ſillable, which is done after this manner:

Firſt, you muſt marke with what letter the word begins withall, that you would write ſhort: the *character* of that letter you muſt firſt ſet downe: hauing ſet downe the *character* of the firſt letter, then you

muſt marke what *vowell* or *vowels* doe next follow that letter: then find the *vowell* or *dipthongs* place, & in the *vowell* or *dipthongs* place, put the *character* of the next letter.

Example of words, for your better inſtruction.

And firſt, for the abbreuiating of this word *man*, the firſt letter you know is *m.* the *character* of *m.* wch is this ⌇ you muſt write downe thus ⌇ the next vowell following *m.* you know is *a.* the place of *a.* you muſt find out, wch is directly uer the head of the *character* of *m.* The next letter following the vowel is *n.* the *character* of *n.* which is this – you muſt write downe in the place of the vowell *a.* thus ⌇ and ſo the word is expreſſed.

God,

God, thus *faith*, thus *foile*, thus
had, thus, *feare*, thus, *foule*, thus
him, thus *feed*, thus, *foote*, thus,

And ſo likewiſe of all other words that begin with one *conſonant*, and end with one *conſonant*.

But if words that you would write ſhort, begin with 2. or 3. *conſonants*, and end with 1, 2, or 3. *conſonants*, then you muſt for thoſe *conſonants* frame a *character* from the Table, both for the beginning and ending of ſuch words.

And for your better inſtruction and vnderſtanding herein, take an example of ſome few words for many.

And firſt, for this word *bring*, which begins with two *conſonants*, and ends with two *conſonants*. The firſt letters of that word are *br*.

The *character* for *br*. you muſt make as it is in the Table of the double *conſonants*.

Hauing made and ſet downe a *character* for *br*. then goe forward in the writing of the word ſhort.

The vowell following *br*. you know is *i*. In the place of the vowell *i*. which is in the middle of the *character* of *br*. on the right hand, you muſt write downe the *character* of *ng*. as you ſhall find it in the Table, among the *Terminations* for ſhort words, in the fourth columne of the Table, which is this, thus and ſo the word is expreſſed. So likewiſe of all other words that beginne with two or three conſonants, and end with one, two, or three conſonants, as followeth in example.

Chap. 6. *Sheweth how to write a word of one ſillable, that endeth upon a vowell.*

AND for your better direction you muſt marke, that when a word begins with a *conſonant*, and a *vowell* following, and no other letter followeth, then you muſt expreſſe that word, by ſetting a period in the *vowels* place.

Example in theſe words.

by, thus *cry*, thus *die*, thus

doe, thus *foe*, thus *goe*, thus

loe, thus *my*, thus *me*, thus

And ſo of all other like words of one ſillable.

Chap. 7. *Sheweth the writing of words that begin with a vowell.*

YOV muſt note, that when a word of one ſillable begins with a *vowell*, and a *conſonant* next following, and no other letters in the ſame word; then you muſt ioyne the *character* of the *conſonant* to the *character* of the *vowell*:

Example in theſe words.

all, thus — *am*, thus — *an*, thus —

and, thus — *at*, thus — *as* thus —

of, thus, *in*, thus *is*, thus —

Likewiſe if a word of more ſillables then one, begin with a *vowell*, then you muſt ioyne the *character* of the next *conſonant* to the *character* of the *vowel*, as aforeſaid: and looke what other *vowels* or *conſonants* next follow, you muſt put the *character* of the next *conſonant*

nant or *conſonants*, in the *vowels* place, as is before ſhewed.

Example in theſe words.

againe, thus	*agree*, thus
abound, thus	*accept*, thus
if, thus	*offer*, thus
offend, thus	*vpon*, thus

And ſo of allother like words.

1. Thus haue I ſhewed by plaine demonſtration, how to abbreuiate a word that begins with one *conſonant*, and ends vpon one *conſonant*;

2. That beginnes with two or three *conſonants*, and ends with one, two, or three *conſonants*;

3. That begins with a *conſonant*, and ends vpon a *vowell*;

4 That begins with a *vowell*, and ends with a *conſonant*:

5. And alſo that begins with a

vowell, and ends vpon a *vowell* and a *conſonant*, as they are plainely before expreſſed.

Chap. 8. *Sheweth the vſe of the* Prepoſitions, *which are for the beginning of long words: as alſo of the* Terminations *which are for the ending of long words of many ſillables, as you haue them in the beginning of this Booke.*

THe next rule is to ſhew how words of many ſillables are to be abbreuiated; and for that purpoſe you haue in the 5 columne of the Table, *characters* called *Prepoſitions*. Some of thoſe *Prepoſitions* are deriued from the *Alphabet*, as you may perceiue, if you marke the making of them.

Thoſe *characters* called *Prepoſitions*,

tions, must be learned very perfectly, for they are of admirable vse for the expressing of long words. The vse of them is as followeth:

First, that what word soeuer begins with any of the *Prepositions*, the *character* of that *Preposition* must be first set down: then marke what letter or letters, termination or terminations doe next follow, the *character* of that letter or letters, termination or terminations, must be ioyned to the *Preposition*, in the vowell or dipthongs place, as followeth in example.

Example of words.

And first for this word *Compell*, which begins with a *Preposition*, the *character* of *com*, vvhich is this you must first write down thus

The

The next letter following is *p.* the *character* of *p.* which is this you muſt ioyne to the *character* of *com*, thus

The next vowell following is *e.* In the place of *e*, which is euen with the head of the *character* of the Prepoſition *com*, on the right hand, you muſt put the *character* of the next letter, which is *l.* thus and ſo the word is expreſſed.

Conſent, thus *condemne*, thus

commiſſion, thus *remiſſion*, thus

conference, thus *reference*, thus

And ſo vpon all other words, as followeth in example.

Thus

Thus haue I ſhewed you plainely, how to abbreuiate any word that begins with a prepoſition, and ends with a letter or letters, termination or terminations.

Chap. 9. *Sheweth the making of certaine* characters *and letters for the expreſsion of* 200. *vſuall particles and words, before ſpoken of in the Preface.*

THeſe words are ſo neceſſarie to be learned, & ſo frequent in vſe, that a man ſhall hardly reade a Chapter or Verſe in any Engliſh Booke, but halfe the ſaid Chapter or Verſe conſiſteth of ſome of them.

Therefore be diligent to practiſe them: for if you had them onely perfect in your mind, you ſhould find

finde them of admirable vſe to abbreuiate your writing.

Theſe particles and words I haue drawne into ſenſe, the better to continue them in memory, as followeth.

Chap.

Chap. 10. *Obſeruations to be marked and remembred in the practiſing of this Art, as followeth.*

FIrſt note, that in the writing of this Art, you muſt vnderſtand, that you are ſometime for ſpeed in writing, to write the Primatiue part of a word for the Deriuatiue, and the Singular number for the Plurall, as *learne* for *learning* or *learned*, *hand* for *hands*, *land* for *lands*, and ſuch like: but if you will expreſſe the Plurall number, then make two periods, thus: cloſe to the end of the word.

Note alſo, that when *ck.* comes together in the end of a word or ſillable, you are to vſe but one of them, becauſe they carry both one ſound.

Note

Note that when 2 letters of one nature come together, you muſt vſe but one of them, as in theſe words, *effect*, *common*, and the like.

Note that when *ay*, *oy*, *aw*, *ow*, come together, in ſtead of thē you muſt vſe the place of *ai*, *oi*, *au*, *ou*.

Note that when 2 vowels come together in a word, and but one of them ſounded, then that vowell that is leaſt ſounded muſt bee left out; as *a.* in *load*, *o.* in *people*, *a.* in *beauty*, *i.* in *neither*, and ſuch like.

I haue further obſerued by my long practice in this Art, that in moſt words that begin with a double *conſonant*, the ſecond letter is for the moſt part *l.* or *r.* except when the word beginneth with *ſ.* or ſome two or three other letters.

Againe I haue alſo obſerued, that

that when any of theſe conſonants viz. *h. l. m. n r.* doe beginne any word whatſoeuer, the next letter following is alwaies a vowell.

Againe in the writing of Sermons, Orations, or other ſpeeches, you ſhall find great helpe in vſing theſe obſeruations, *viz.* That when any place of Scripture or Author is cited, or any Statute, to take the number of the Chapter and verſe, and refer the reſt to your booke at your leaſure: So ſhall you bee prepared for further matter.

And for the more plainneſſe in reading this Art, you muſt keepe your ſtops: and for that purpoſe vſe theſe ſtrokes following, *viz.* for a comma this ſtroke / for a full point, this and words included within a Parentheſis, thus ( )

And

And for your better perfection in this Art, take one obſeruation more from me, which is this, That when you are in companie, and heare a word ſpoken, doe but conſider in your minde, how you would expreſſe the ſame in writing; and the cuſtome of this will bring you to great readineſſe; as I my ſelfe by good experience haue found.

Thus haue I (*Gentle Reader*) with as much breuity as may be, laid downe ſuch plaine and eaſie Rules for the performance of this ART, as that whoſoeuer will but practiſe them, may with little paines attaine to ſuch perfection therein, as (through Gods bleſſing) ſhall yeeld him great comfort and contentment.

VALE.

Abominable — h
Absolute — ꝺ
Absolution — ꝺ
Act of parliament — Ꝑ
Administrator — A
Adulterer — a
Already — A
Amonge } — ʌ
Amongst }
Antechrist — A
As longe as — =
As much as — ʌ
As little as — ʌ
As it were — g
As if he should say — g
As short as — ⇒
As well as — +

Bankerupt — L
Because — b
Behould — B
Benefit — B
Beneath — b
Begreath — ɛ

Benevolence — L
Bushop — ɟ

Cronicle — ɛ
Construction — ꝛ
Consequence — ꝛ
Consider — ꝛ
Continue — ꝛ
Comonwealth — ꝙ
Congregation — △
Condition — ꝺ.

Deliver — d
Determin — ꝺ
Devill — ꝺ
Diligence — ꝺ
Dificult — D
Doctrine — ꝺ

Euill — E
Euangelist — E
Execute — Ac
Extraordinary — (E)
Euerlastinge — EE
Enemy — E
Executor — Ac
Excommunication — E

for as much as — F
fellowship — ff
family — ff
franchise — Z
forcible — Z

generall — g
generation — g
gouerne — Z

Holy gost — H
Hebreio — H
Hippocrite — [illegible]
Hierusalem — [illegible]
History — [illegible]
Himselfe — H

Ignorance — Y
Integrety — I
Idolator — □
In ye yeare of our lord god — ⊕
In the yeare of ye raine of our souraine lord — ⊕

Kouenant — ʒ
Knowledge — ℓ

Liberall — ll

Multitude — M
Manifest — m
Magistrate — M
Minister — m
Malefactor — M
Multiply — ɔ
Many times — ʒ
Matrimony — ⁊

Necessity — n
Necessary — n̄
Notwithstanding — ɱ
Neuertheles — ɴ

Originall — ⁊
Oportunity — ꝯ
Ordinary — O

Perpetuall — P
Philosophy — ꝑ
persecute — ꝓ
Prerogative — ꝓ
Particular — ꝑ
Peculiar — ꝯ
Punishment — ꝓ

Question — q̇
Quare impedit — Q

Remember — —
Resurection — ꝛs
Religion — ꝛ
Reprobate — ꝛ
Reuerence — ꝛ
Regenerate — ꝛ
Round about — ⓡ
Riteousnes — ꝛ

Sacrament — S
Satisfy — S
Sacrifise — P
Speciall — S
Saluation — S
Similitude — S
Signify — S
Solicitor — Sl
Spectacle — Sb

Triumph — T
Tabernacle — T
That is to say — T
Temporall — t

Vniuersall — V
Vniuersity — Vt

Which —)
Worship — W

Examin — X
Experience — X
Extend — X

Yeeld — Y
Yard — Y

Zion — Z
Zeale — Z

Heere followeth the Table formerly mentioned in the Preface of this Booke, for words of many ſillables, whoſe Terminations being ioyned to the Prepoſitions in the vowell or Dipthongs place, (as aforeſaid) ſhall ſerue to abbreuiate and determine ſome one of them fortie, ſome one hundred, and ſome two hundred words apiece, ſome more, ſome leſſe.

Words hauing their Terminations ending in *antion* or *ention*. as

M-*antion*
M-*ention*
Aſc-*ention*
Compreh-*ention*
Cont-*ention*
Diſc-*ention*
Int-*ention*
Inu-*ention*
P-*ention*
Repreh-*ention*.

Words ending in *able*.

Abhomin-*able*
Accept-*able*

Admir-*able*
Anſwer-*able*
Commend-*able*
Conſcion-*able*
Delect-*able*
Diſcomfort-*able*
Inevit-*able*
Profit-*able*, &c.

Words ending in *bility*.

A-*bility*
Affa-*bility*
Impoſſi-*bility*
Poſſi-*bility*
Sta-*bility*
Muta-*bility*, &c.

Words ending in *cation*.

Conuo-*cation*
Vo-*cation*
Communi-*cation*
Excommuni-*cation*
Prouo-*cation*
Repli-*cation*, &c.

Words ending in *ding*.

Accor-*ding*
Preten-*ding*
Procee-*ding*
Rea-*ding*
Spen-*ding*,
vnderſtan-*ding* &c.

Words ending in *ection* or *action*.

Conf-*ection*
Satisf-*action*
Det-*ection*
Inf-*ection*
Obi-*ection*
Ex-*action*
Reſurr-*ection*, &c.

Words ending in *fication*.

Ampli-*fication*
Grati-

Grati-*fication*
Iusti-*fication*
Signi-*fication*
Sancti-*fication*
Morti-*fication*
Quali-*fication*,&c.

Words ending in *full.*

Bash-*full*
Care-*full*
Disdaine-*full*
Fruit-*full*
Gaine-*full*
Hate-*full*
Ioy-*full*
Merci-*full*

Words ending in *ended.*

Asc-*ended*
Att-*ended*
Compreh-*ended*
Condisc-*ended*
Desc-*ended*
Discomm-*ended*
Int-*ended*
Pret-*ended*
Repreh-*ended*
Trausc-*ended*,&c.

Words ending in *ference.*

Con-*ference*
Dif-*ference*
In-*ference*
Re-*ference*,&c.
Circum-*ference*

Words ending in *gation.*

Alle-*gation*
Congre-*gation*
Insti-*gation*
Obli-*gation*,&c.

Words ending in *ing* and *ning.*

Cry-*ing*

Mock-*ing*
Nurſ-*ing*
Preach-*ing*
Pray-*ing*
Seek-*ing*
Sing-*ing*
Speak-*ing*
Faſt-*ning*
Gro-*ning*
Begin-*ning*
Lear-*ning*
Tur-*ning*
Mour-*ning*, &c.

Words ending in *ling*.

Dar-*ling*
Hire-*ling*
Rai-*ling*
Reui-*ling*
Smel-*ling*
Suck-*ling*
Swel-*ling*
Til-*ling*
Troub-*ling*
Vnwil-*ling*, &c.

Words ending in *lation*.

Adu-*lation*
Cavi-*lation*
Col-*lation*
Conſo-*lation*
Diſſimu-*lation*
Reue-*lation*
Trans-*lation*
Tribu-*lation*
Re-*lation*
Expoſtu-*lation*, &c.

Words ending in *lity*.

Agi-*lity*
Equa-*lity*
Faci-*lity*
Forma-*lity*
Hoſpita-*lity*
Humi-*lity*
Immorta-*lity*
Libera-*lity*
Nobi-*lity*
Parti-a-*lity*
Qua-*lity*, &c.

Words

Words ending in *mation* and *miſsion.*

Affir-*mation*
Confir-*mation*
Eſti-*mation*
Deſa-*mation*
Excla-*mation*
Infla-*mation*
Ad-*miſsion*
Com-*miſsion*
Diſ-*miſsion*
Per-*miſsion*
Re-*miſsion*
Sub-*miſsion*, &c.

Words ending in *ment.*

Accompliſh-*ment.*
Baniſh-*ment*
Chaſtiſe-*ment*
Diſparage-*ment*
Employ-*ment*
Firma-*ment*
Gar-*ment*
Sacra-*ment*
Teſta-*ment*, &c.

Words ending in *nation.*

Ali-e-*nation*
Car-*nation*
Dam-*nation*
Indig-*nation*
Predeſti-*nation*
Reſig-*nation*, &c.

Words ending in *neſſe* or *nes.*

Bitter-*neſſe*
Bright-*neſſe*
Cheerful-*neſſe*
Couetouſ-*neſſe*
Dark-*neſſe*
Dead-*neſſe*
Godli-*neſſe*
Great-*neſſe*
Hard-*neſſe*
Holy-*neſſe*, &c.

Words ending in *ous.*

Aduentur-*ous*

Couet-

Couet-*ous*
Deſire-*ous*
Enui-*ous*
Fame-*ous*
Graci-*ous*
Laſciui-*ous*
Malici-*ous*
Religi-*ous*, &c.

Words ending in *ration*.

Admi-*ration*
Aſpi-*ration*
Celeb-*ration*
Conſide-*ration*
Corpo-*ration*
Deſpe-*ration*
Expi-*ration*
Gene-*ration*
Inſpi-*ration*
Ope-*ration*, &c.

Words ending in *ring*.

Hea-*ring*
Hove-*ring*
Iar-*ring*
Loyt-*ring*
Manu-*ring*
Murmu-*ring*
Mutte-*ring*
Roa-*ring*
Spa-*ring*
Squa-*ring*, &c.

Words ending in *taine*.

Apper-*taine*
Con-*taine*
De-*taine*
Enter-*taine*
Ob-*taine*
Re-*taine* &c.

Words ending in *tation*.

Accep-*tation*
Confu-*tation*
Delec-*tation*
Exhor-*tation*

Habi-

Habi-*tation*
Medi-*tation*, &c.

Words ending in *tion* or *ſion*.

Abbreui-a-*tion*
Ac-*tion*
Addi-*tion*
Confeſ-*ſion*
Commenda-*tion*
Diſcre-*tion*
Deri-*ſion*
Impreſ-*ſion*
Inten-*tion*
Interceſ-*ſion*
Perdi-*tion*
Preuen-*tion*
Profeſ-*ſion*
Redemp-*tion*
Miſpri-*ſion*
Tranſgreſ-*ſion*
Circumci-*ſion*,
Superſti-*tion*, &c.

Words ending in *vation*.

Depri-*vation*
Deri-*vation*
Conſer-*vation*
Obſer-*vation*
Preſer-*vation*
Reno-*vation*
Reſer-*vation*
Sal-*vation*, &c.

Words ending in *verſion*.

Con-*verſion*
Re-*verſion*
Sub-*verſion*. &c.

Words ending in *vction*.

Conſtr-*vction*
Ded-*vction*
Inſtr-*vction*. &c.

FINIS.

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That which so manyl haue desir'd to gaine,
By Wit and Labour of the mind and braine,
And yet could not, by Reasons carefull eye
Find where the [illegible] of [illegible]'s perfections lye:
Thou hast by Art, upon such Indgement grounded,
And so exact a [illegible] proponded
By [illegible] such a Speed,
At [illegible] Deed:
In which [illegible] well be understood,
[illegible] all men good.

Martin Billingsley.